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**Re: Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 656X), CSX Transportation, Inc. —
Abandonment Exemption—in Marion County, West Virginia**

Dear Ms. Brown:

Reference is made to the letter request of Richard Walton on behalf of the Marion County Commission (the "County") filed with the Board on January 19, 2011, requesting an extension of the NITU negotiating period (the "Extension Request") in the above-captioned proceeding.¹ The current NITU negotiating period is set to expire on March 10, 2011.

CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT") hereby acknowledges and concurs with the Extension Request, as it has not consummated the abandonment, has been unable to finalize negotiations with the County, and desires to continue to negotiate for interim trail use/rail banking with the County. Accordingly, CSXT agrees to a 180-day extension of time to September 6, 2011 to continue negotiations with the County.

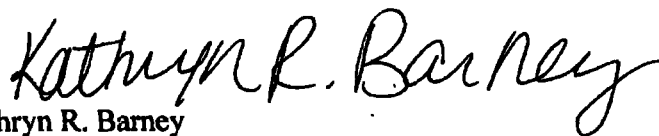
CSXT understands that under 49 C.F.R. 1152.29(e)(2) the extension of the NITU negotiating period is a regulatory barrier to consummation of the abandonment and that the period for consummation of the abandonment is automatically extended until 60 days after the satisfaction, expiration or removal of the regulatory requirement. Therefore, CSXT respectfully requests that the Board confirm that the extension of the negotiating period until September 6, 2011, will also result in the consummation deadline being extend to November 5, 2011.

¹ Although the County did not specify the length of the extension it was seeking, CSXT will accept a 180-day extension of the NITU negotiating period (i.e., until September 6, 2011) should the Board deem it permissible.

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CSXT is e-filing this notice. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please call or email me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathryn R. Barney". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kathryn R. Barney

cc: Richard Walton (via e-mail)